

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SELECTING A MEDIA PROCESSOR TO HOST A CONFERENCE

ABSTRACT

5 A system, method, apparatus, means, and computer program code for selecting a media processor to host a conference is provided. According to some embodiments, a multipoint controller may control or be associated with a plurality of media processors. Different media processors may be implemented in software and operating on different hardware platforms. When
10 a request for a media processor is indicated or received and the multipoint controller needs to select or allocate a media processors to host the conference, the multipoint controller may select one of the media processors to support the new conference based on the media processor's ability to support more additional participants than the other media processors in the plurality of
15 media processors. In some embodiments, the determination of a media processor's ability to support additional participants may be based on the media processor's current number of supported participants in conferences and the media processor's current CPU utilization percentage.